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NOTES of the LIFE and WRITINGS

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BARNABE GOOGE.

His furname is also variously spelt Goche, Goghe, Gouche, &c.

There was printed at Venice an undated Latin satirical poem in twelve books named after the signs of the Zodiac. Zodiacus [7 1535–1539] Vita psicherriumo opus atque utilizamum, Marcelli Palicherriumo opus atque utilizamum, Marcelli Palicherriumo opus atque utilizamum, Marcelli Palicheriumo Pervales ingenii stellati Poeta ad iliustrissimum Pervaria Ducem Hercules eccundem feliciter incipii. The dedication to Hercules II. d'Este, who was Duke of Ferrara between 1 Nov. 1534–3 Oct. 1539, fixes the date of the impression, to which Thomas Scauranus prefaced a few verses. Marcellus Palingenius is believed to be an anagram for Pietro Angelo Manzolli, an Italian, respecting whose life very little is known. We have printed Googe's own account of him at p. 13. Despite its being put on the Index by the Council of Trent: more than twenty editions of this celebrated Invective have been published in Latin and other languages: including two Latin editions at Basle in 1552 and 1557, which Googe may have used in his translation and another at London in 1379.

1553. Fab. 20. Thomas Kirchmeyer or Naogeorgus [b. 1511–d. 29 Dec. 1363] was the author of another anti-Papist invective in verse, entitled Regni Papistici, the preface of which is dated so Feb., June. and the imprint June 1553. in twelve books named after the signs of the Zodiac. Zodiacus

1558. Nob. 17. Elizabeth aucteebs to the throne. 1569. SEPT. A second edition of Regni Papistici is published at Basle.

Nov. 24. The date of Casper Heywood's poetical preface to his translation of Seneca's Thyrstes, the printing of which was finished on 25 March 1560. In this preface, he supposes himself to meet Seneca, while in a dream, whom he thus addresses. I' he allusions are important as showing the rage for translating then prevailing; and also as virtually announcing Googe's translation, no portion of which had as yet appeared. 1559. SEPT. peared.)

peared.)

A labour long (quoth I', it is that riper age doothe craue

And who shall travaile in thy books, more indgement ought to have

Then I: whose greener yeares therby no thanks may hope to wynne.

Thou seest dame Nature yet hath sette no heares oppon my chynne Thou seed dame Nature yet hath sette no heares upon my chynne Crawe this therefore of grouer age, and men of greater thill Full many be that better can, and some perhaps that will. But of thy will be rather best a yong mans wilt to prove, And thinkst that elder terned men perhaps it shall behave, In awarks of weight to spanie theyr tyme, goe where Minerwaes men, And finest with doe warme: whome the hath laught to passe with pen, In Lyncolnus Inne and Temples twayne, Grayes Inne and other mo, I have shall them fynde whose paynfult pen thy were shall flowrishe 10, That Melpomen thou wouldst well weene had taught them for to wright, And all their woorks with stately style, and goodly grace t endite, There that thou see the selfe same Northe, whose woorke his witte displayes. And Dyall dothe of Princes paynte, and prache abroad his prayse. There Sackwyldes Sonetts envelop sauste, and featly fyned bee, There Norton's ditties do delight, there Yelvertons doo flee Well pewed with pen: such your men three, as weene thou mightest agayne, To be begotte as Pallas was, of mightie love his brayne.

Then heare thou shalt a great reporte of Baldwyns worthie name Whose Myrrour doth of Magistrates, produyme eternall fame.

And there the gentle Blundwille is by name and eke by hynde, Of whome we learne by Plutarches lore, what fruit by Foes to fynde, There Bauande bydes, that turnde his toyle a Common weithe to frame, And greater grace in Englythe genes, to woorthy authors name, There Googe a gratefull gapus hath gotte, reporte that runneth ryfe Who crooked Compasse dothe describe, and Zodiake of tyfe. And yet great nombre more, whose names yf I shoulde now resight, A ten tymes greater woorke then thine, I should be forste to wright.

Barnary Googs, son of Robert Googe, esq. recorder of Lincoln, by Margaret his wife, daughter of Sir John Mantell, was born in or about 1540, at Alvingham, Lincolnshire. He was some time a member of Christ's College in this university, but does not appear to have graduated here. He was also of New College, Oxford. Upon leaving college, he travelled through France to Spain. By his wife he had issue Matthew; Thomas: Robert, Fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford; Batnaby, master of Magdalen College, Cambridge; Francis; William; Anne; Mary. Cooper. Athen. Cantab. is 39. Ed. 1858. 1559

The first of the translations of Seneca; Trous, by T. Hey-

1560. The first of the translattons of Seneca; Treas, by T. Heywood, published.

1560. Apr. or May. There is the following entry in the Stationer's Registers

"Recevyd of Raufe newbery, for his lycense for printing of a boke called pallengenius, and he geveth to the howse... iiij⁸⁰

J. P. Collier. Extracts. bre. i. 26. Ed. 1848.

This was The First thre Bokes of the most Christian fort Marcelius Patingenius called The Zodiaks or Life Newly translated out of Latin into English. This edition, which we have been upply to see. Mr. Collier.

Patingenius called THE ZODIAKE OF LIFE Newly translated out of Latin into Englyth. This edition, which we have been unable to see, Mr. Collier states, in Bibliographical Catalogue, "This is one of the rarest pectical works in our language: we never had an opportunity of seeing more than the exemplar before us, and our belief is that only one other copy is in existence." ii. 88. Ed. 1861. Mr. Collier also states that it is dedicated to his grand-mother lady Hales, and also to William Cromer, Thomas Honywood and Ralph Heimund Esquires. Herbert states that he styles this piece, 'the first frutes of his study.' p. 767. It likewise contains the following initial poems (which we here print from the next edition of 1361):

The Brelate.

When as syr Phebe with backmard course, the horned gote had cought.

And had the place from whence he turnes his lofty face out sought:
Amid the entraunce of the grades of Capricorne he stode,
And distant far from him away was Marce with fiery mode,
He lackd thielaspect of mighty love and Venus pleasaunt loke
with beames he could not broile from hie for heat his Globe forsohe.
Old Saturne then aloft did tie, with furty riveled face:
And with a backward course he ranne from out the twinnes apace,
And wouthes the Rull he was to delive intending there to very And towardes the Bull he gan to drive intending there to rest, His croked crabbed cankerd limmes in lovely V cnus nest. With frosen face about he loked and vile deformed hewe, And downe the boysterous Boreas sent in enery coste that blewe,
Who spoyled the pleasant trees of leafe, byreft the ground of grene,
That life in springing springs or plants might no where now be sene:
The lively sappe forsake the borugh and depe the rote it held
And shading fresh the slakes more an leader house the doubt The lively sappe forsoke the bough and depe the rote it held And spoyling fruits the flakes snower on tender bowes they dweld. When down amongest my bohes I sate and close I crouched for cold, Fayre Ladyes nyne with stately steps alofe I might behold. In mantels gyrt of comely grace, and bokes in hand they bare, In mantels gyrt of comely grace, and bokes in hand they bare. I saw them come and up I rose, as devely moued to meete These learned Nimphes, and down I fall before theyr comely feete. With rosey lippes and shining face and Melpomen her name, This lady fyrit began to speake, and thus her wordes to frame. Stand up yong man, quoth she, dispatch, and take thy pen in hand, Wryte thou the ctuil warres and broyle in auncient Latines land.

Reduce to English sence she said, the lofty Lucanes verse
The cruel chaunce and doffull end of Cesarz state rehearce.
Maddam (quoth Vrauy) with that, in this you do me wrong
To mone my man to serve your turne that hath profesd of long,
And vowed his yeares with me to serve in secreal motions hie,
That the following the profession of the confidence of t To beat his brain in searching forth the rowlings of the sky.
Nay rather take in hand quod she, land on me ful she lokes)
With English rime to bring to light Aratus worthy bokes.
Describe the whirling spheares about and movinges every one, Describe the whirling spheares above and movinges every one, How forced about from East to West from West to East they gone: Aratus verse wil shew the plain how Circles at they run How glides pe course theorem croked line of Phobe the thining sun. Wheras the fixed Poles do stay, and where the snake doth crope, In heavens hie among the North where beares their course do hepe By this (guoth she) thou shall receive immortal fame at last, Much more then if thou shouldst declare those bloudy bankets past. These wordes declard with pleasant woyce, this Lady held her peace, And forth before them all I saw the loveliest Lady prease:

Of stature tal, and Venus face, she sende me thought to have And Calliope she called was with verse that wrytes so grave, Sisters quod she and Ladies all of love his mighty line.

To whom no art doth lie outhnown that heave we may define: To whom no art doth lie vuknowne that heare we may define: Chefe patrons of the Poets pore, and aiders of their vers Without whose help their simple heds would nothing well rehearse, I am become a suter here to you my Ladies all I am become a suter here to you my Lactes all,
For him that hear before you standes as vato learning thrall,
A Poet late I had whose fen, did tread the crabbed wayes,
Of vertuous life, declaring how that men shoulde spend theyr daies.
In Romish lande he lived longe, and Palingen his name
It was, Whereby he got himselfe an everlasting fame
Of them that learned be. But of the means and ruder sorte
He lives waknowne and lackes therby his juste and right reforte.
Wherfore my sate is to you all graunte me this wyght a while,
That standeth hears that he was turne my Poets stately stale. That standeth heare that he may turne my Poetes stately style, To Vulgar speche in native tounge: that all may understande.
To this they all agreed and saged, take thou that worche in hande.
Amused then I answered thus good ladies at (quoth I)

Response Clientes same, for ever flies and name can never dye

Response your contents late between deal back your worder agons Returne your sentence late pronounced call back your wordes agayne, And let not me take that in hande that I can not attaque. In Englande here a hundred heddes more able nowe therebe, Thys same to doe: then chose the beste and let the worste go free. Best you doe so then that my verse recease immortall shame, When I shall paye the price of paynes with hasards of my name. With this they all began to fromme and wholy with one) voice. Take thou this same in hande thei crie, thou hast none other choyse. And fast away from me thei fling, as halfe in angry moode Thei lefte me thus in wofuli case: whereas a while I stoode, And mused what I best might do, at lest my fen I tooke. Commaunded thus to English heare, this famous Paets booke. Now since that I have thus begunne, you (learned) I requyre; With your dispraise or great dysdaine quenche not this hyndled fyre:
But gene me rather cause to ende, this worke so late begonne,
So shall I thinke and well bestowde my paynes when all is done. C Ein booke to the reaber.

Willo sekes to show ye shaftering sails of mighty Moneus mast, Must not attempt to sugred seas, where muses ancour cast. For Momus there doth ryde at flote, with soornefull tonges yfraght: With cancred cracks of wrathfull words he keeps the passage strayght. That none without disdains may passe where muses name lies, But straight on them with ireful mode the scornful God he flies.